

IN THE UNITED STATES  
PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicant: **Manens**

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Title: **PROCESSING PAD ASSEMBLY WITH ZONE CONTROL**

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**RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2006**

In response to the Final Office Action dated November 16, 2006, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expire on February 16, 2007, please enter this response and reconsider the claims pending in the application for the reasons discussed below. Although Applicant believes that no additional fees are due in connection with this response, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge counsel's Deposit Account No. 20-0782, for any additional fees required to make this response timely and acceptable to the Office.